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Marginal Column

John F. Reynolds

IN spite of frantic efforts the Russians have been unable to find any substantial deposits of rich uranium ore. This is the conclusion reached by intelligence experts after a thorough survey of Russian atomic and industrial progress. They also believe that lack of top-grade supplies have prevented the Russians from reaching their production target of two atomic bombs a month. In fact there is evidence suggesting that from November, 1950, until quite recently the production of atomic bombs was interrupted completely. Instead of the planned stockpile of 50 atomic bombs by the end of 1951, the Russians are now believed to have a stockpile of only 20, with perhaps 15 more to come until the end of the year.

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THIS is one of the reasons why the Soviet leaders are now revising their plans drastically. They need far more time than they had anticipated and the belief is growing in London, and to a lesser extent also in Washington, that for at least another year or two the Soviet leaders will try their utmost not to get entangled in a major war. Another reason is that the new industrial districts behind the Urals and in Siberia are far behind schedule. The Russians found it impossible to develop the coal mines around which the new industries were built and have to rely on coal produced thousands of miles away. But this is not what they had planned, and as a consequence there are not sufficient railway lines to bring the coal up to the new steel mills and factories.

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PUBLICATION of the new Five Year Plan, which was to be announced early this month, has therefore been postponed. It must be completely revised because it was based on the assumption that by now the new industries behind the Urals and in Siberia would be in full production. Top priority will now be given to the improvement of the transport system without which the new industrial miracles in Soviet Asia are useless. There are other factors limiting industrial expansion, the most serious being the lack of trained technicians and engineers. Technicians in Russia are as well trained as anywhere in the world, but there are not enough of them and the low educational standard of the people make the training of more technicians a slow and cumbersome process. The educational backwardness of the people is worrying the Soviet leaders, because they realize that without improving the general educational standard of their people they cannot possibly reduce the gap between Western and Soviet industrial strength.

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THE Metropolitan of Moscow has sent a circular letter to leaders of the Greek-Orthodox Church throughout the Middle East informing them that, for the first time since 1918, he had received authority to send them again annual remittances—and the Greek-Orthodox Church leaders in practically every Arab country have jumped at the offer. Early in July, top-ranking dignitaries of the Greek-Orthodox churches in the Middle East will meet in Moscow as guests of the Metropolitan, the unofficial Pope of all Greek-Orthodox Christians, to discuss details of the financial programme. They will be surprised, it is rumoured, at the generosity of the Communist-sponsored Russian Church. Stalin has authorized the Metropolitan to distribute every year as much as 2,000 gold pounds to the Greek-Orthodox Arab communities, with no strings attached, though some of the Arab church leaders have already indicated their willingness to sign, in return, the Peace Pledge organized by Russia. There will not be much indoctrination at the meeting for the time being for their Middle East experts judge that it is not yet ripe for a Communist mass movement in Arab countries. All the Kremlin wants at present is to get an influential body of men looking to Moscow for material support — trusting that ideological alignment will follow in due course.

London, June 2.

Persia Rejects Truman's Plea

TEHERAN, Saturday. — The Persian Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammed Mossadeq, today rejected President Truman's appeal to settle the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute by negotiation. He made a statement to a closed session of the Senate and added, in reply to Senators' questions on acceptance of a British delegation, "we will receive any delegation, provided it is appointed by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company and represents Anglo-Iranian."

"If it wants, the oil company can appoint a British Cabinet Minister."

With regard to President Truman's surprise appeal yesterday, Dr. Mossadeq told the Senate "In any transaction, if a third party interferes his word has no value unless he has power of attorney to act on behalf of one of the parties.

"Mr. Truman recognizes the principle of nationalization, but maybe the British are not moved by Mr. Truman's recognition.

"I myself heard from the British Ambassador that the British are ready to agree to 'a kind of nationalization' which is quite different to nationalization as an accomplished fact," the Premier declared.

Senate Meeting

The Premier had earlier come before a special session of the Senate to read a personal message from Mr. Truman which urged Persia to receive and negotiate with a British Government mission as soon as possible to ensure the continued flow of Iranian oil to the free world."

"We have the utmost hope that the British Government is able to send to Teheran without delay qualified representatives with full power to discuss, and reach a solution, with the Persian Government on precise proposals in conformity with the principles of nationalization of oil accepted by Mr. Morrison, in his speech to the House of Commons on May 29," Mr. Truman's message read.

Dr. Mossadeq called a cabinet meeting yesterday after the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Henry Grady, had transmitted to him the President's message.

Message to Attlee

The U.S. President also sent a personal message to Mr. Attlee yesterday calling for negotiations on the oil situation.

Dr. Mossadeq seriously questioned the wisdom of receiving a British mission unless there were clear understanding of what was to be discussed.

Despite Persia's interest in safeguarding relations with Britain, the Premier said, if the agenda for the talks are unclear "our friendship will be endangered. Such a step would mean that we recognize the British right to refer the question to the International Court. If we now bring the British Government into this matter we do not know what the outcome will be."

Some Senators told Dr. Mossadeq that they thought he should receive the British delegation although President Truman's note had not changed their attitude towards the execution of the oil nationalization law.

Hussein Makki, Secretary of the National Front Party and the Prime Minister's right hand man, told the press that no British delegation would be received. "We burned our bridges and even if this government fell another could not make alterations to the nationalisation law without being impeached," he said.

Meanwhile it was learned in Malta that the British tank landing ship Messina is on her way to the Persian Gulf.

(UP, Reuter)

Egypt Asks Oil Firm To Transfer Board

CAIRO, Saturday, (Reuter).—Egypt has asked the American Socony-Vacuum Oil Company to transfer its board to Egypt on the example of the Anglo-Egyptian oil industry, Minister Suleiman Ghannam Pasha announced today.

He described the move as "a prelude to the Egyptianization of the oil companies." Socony-Vacuum shares with Anglo-Egyptian oilfields, on a 50-50 basis, concessions on the eastern shore of the gulf of Suez. It was understood that the transfer under consideration affects the "control and management of the company."

The American Standard Oil Co. withdrew from Egypt in 1949 because of the effect of the mining law, after spending large sums on prospecting. Ghannam Pasha said the government would "shortly amend the mining law with a view to encouraging foreign oil companies to intensify their search for oil in Egypt," but the transfer of boards would be a fundamental condition for the conceding of new prospecting licences.

He went on: "We have asked the foreign oil companies to draw up a programme for the exploration of oil in the Sinai peninsula and the eastern and western deserts."

UJA and Bonds Both Needed—Ben Gurion

NEW YORK, Saturday, (INA). — In a farewell statement on Thursday, Mr. Ben Gurion stressed the importance of the bond drive and the U.J.A. to Israel's economic development and immigration programme.

He said: "I am confident that true friends of Israel will give their wholehearted support to both the U.J.A. and the bond issue, recognizing that both are phases of the same essential objective." He paid tribute to both the leaders of the U.J.A. and of the bond drive for their achievements, adding that while the U.J.A. is essential for the immigration and initial care of the newcomers, the bond issue is vital to help Israel to achieve economic independence. Stating that he is convinced that both campaigns can work in full coordination and cooperation, he revealed that Mr. Eliezer Kaplan has been asked to take the necessary steps to bring about this coordination and to strengthen the activities of both.

The Prime Minister is expected in Israel by air on Thursday, it is learned. He left New York in the Queen Mary on Friday, and is expected in Cherbourg early this week.

He will proceed to Paris and from there fly to Lydda. On arrival, he will be entertained at a Tel Aviv Municipality reception, and will spend Saturday in Tel Aviv. Later, he will be feted by the Jerusalem Municipality.

Anglo-Iranian Will Make Proposals

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). —The Anglo-Iranian Oil Company will accept the Persian Foreign Minister's suggestion that it should make proposals for the future working of the oil industry which which do not conflict with the principle of nationalization, the Labour "Daily Herald" reported today.

Proposals will be sent to Teheran as soon as possible—though that could hardly be within the five days suggested by Persian Government, it said.

It is by no means sure that any practical proposal which the company can put forward will be regarded by the Persians as consistent with the principle laid down in their nationalization law. But it appears that there might be a chance to discuss the practical problems.

RILEY IN CAIRO

General W.E. Riley, U.N. Chief of Staff, arrived in Cairo on Friday for medical consultation with U.S. army doctors, ANA reports. Later he met Col. Ismael Sherrin, head of the Egyptian M.A.C. delegation.

Syrians Call For Postponement Of MAC Meeting

The Israel delegation to the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission was informed last night by the U.N. Chairman, Col. Samuel B. Taxis, that the meeting which had been scheduled for one o'clock today would be delayed due to the illness of Major Anuar el Kudsi, senior Syrian delegate.

Col. Taxis stated that unsuccessful attempts had been made to find a replacement, and that the Syrians had asked for a two-day postponement. By then, he said, either Major Hassan Jdid, former chairman of the Syrian delegation, would return from Lake Success, or Major El Kudsi would be able to resume his work.

Report of Refusal

Last week it had been reported from Damascus that a Syrian army spokesman had declared that Syria would not attend the meeting scheduled for Sunday as long as drainage work continues in the Huleh, but would wait for further developments in connection with General Riley's interim report to the Security Council.

Today's meeting was to have been the continuation of the three-hour official meeting held at Rosh Pinah on May 28.

At that time the Syrians asked for a 48-hour delay, and it was finally agreed to meet today.

Work in the Huleh continued as usual on Friday.

A technical committee composed of representatives of the Public Works Department, Solel Boneh, the J.N.F., and the Ministry of Agriculture met on Friday to plan the course of future work in the Huleh.

Within half an hour after the Israel delegation to the Mixed Armistice Commission reported a complaint to the Jordan delegation in the Old City of Thursday, a Legion patrol was sent to arrest the armistice violators, according to "A-Diffa."

They were two Arabs out shooting birds who had several times fired in the direction of Israel while stalking their prey near Sharafat.

Syrians Fire Near Kibbutz Kfar Szold

About 60 shots were fired into Israel from Syrian territory near Kibbutz Kfar Szold, it was reported last night. The shots were not returned. A complaint was lodged with the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission.

Kibbutz Drivers Stop Infiltrators

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — A group of 27 persons, including men, women and children, were stopped by tractor drivers of a kibbutz in the Negev while trying to cross Israel territory from Egypt to Jordan yesterday. They were taken to Beersheba, and will be returned to Egypt.

Shots were exchanged between security forces and a group of marauders on Thursday night, ITIM reports. The infiltrators escaped.

ARAB C.-in-Cs. MEET AT BLUDAN

DAMASCUS, Saturday (Reuter).—A meeting of the Chiefs of Staff of the Arab armies is due to open at Bludan tonight. General Glubb Pasha, Commander of the Arab Legion, will not be present nor will any other Jordan representative.

A Syrian spokesman said the meeting was primarily expected to prepare a comprehensive defence plan against "Zionist aggression against any Arab country," but was expected also to discuss general collective security. The last Arab League Council meeting decided to hold the talks, pending ratification of the Collective Security Pact signed by all League members except Jordan.

The Egyptian delegation, headed by Osman el Almadi Pasha, arrived this morning. The other delegations are led by Fuad Shehab of Lebanon, Adib Shishakly of Syria, Said el Kurdi of Saudi Arabia and Saleh e-Sa'eb Pasha of Iraq. The Egyptian delegation will also represent Yemen.

IRAQ DEADLINE EXTENDED

NEW YORK, Saturday (INA). — The United Jewish Appeal has revealed that the Iraqi Government has extended the emigration deadline for an additional month and that by the end of June the 80,000 Jewish emigrants in Iraq must be transferred to Israel. The U.J.A. said that immediate large-scale funds are needed to evacuate the Iraqi Jews by air at the rate of 1,000 daily.

A move to obtain permission for an Iraqi Jewish student, here on a non-quota visa, to remain in the U.S. permanently as a D.P. has been taken by the American Jewish Congress which has submitted a brief to the New York Immigration Office, declaring the forced return of the student to Iraq would expose him to the violent anti-Jewish persecution which is the Government's policy.

The brief submitted detailed reports of the persecution of Jews in Iraq, quoting Arab News Agency reports and Iraqi papers. It warned that if Iraqi nationals of Jewish ancestry are forced to return to that country "they will be obliged to return not to their homeland but to a prison. They will go back not as citizens of a free country but as hostages against hope."

MILITARY RULE IN ACRE ENDS

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Military rule in Acre ended yesterday, it has been officially announced. The Arab residents of the town will now be able to move about the country freely.

Acre surrendered to the Haganah on May 18, 1948 after a 24-hour battle. A year later, on May 16, the first mixed Municipal Council in Israel met there.

Tabenkin: Lenin Is No Recipe for Israel

HAIFA, Saturday. — The second Mapam National Conference, in session here since Wednesday evening, was surprised yesterday when Yitzhak Tabenkin, veteran leader of Ahdut Ha'avoda, the moderate opposition to the left-wing majority in the party, made his first appearance in two years.

He said that his heart was not in the conference, but with the youth to whom he appealed to settle the Huleh and Ein Hod.

He dwelt on two questions which had brought out sharp differences of opinion in the party: Leninism and Jewish-Arab relations.

Lenin's writings contained no recipe for the labour movement here, he said. They did not deal with such needs as Jewish emigration from Russia, the transformation of bourgeoisie citizens into workers proletariat in Palestine, or with the establishment of kibbutzim.

The Arabs could not be expected to subscribe to the ingathering of the exiles, he said. It was for this reason that he favoured a separate Arab socialist party in both parts of Palestine and in the Arab states.

This evening, the three sections of the conference retired into conclaves for deliberations on the main points of issue. The conference will be concluded tomorrow with the adoption of resolutions.

Hapoel Hamizrahi To Stand Alone

By Our Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The various factions of the Hapoel Hamizrahi Party have decided not to join a United Religious Bloc in the forthcoming Knesset elections. The factions held separate meetings last week, and a joint meeting will be held tomorrow, when the final decision is to be taken.

The decision not to join the Bloc represents a setback for Mr. M. Shapiro, Minister of the Interior, and a member of Hapoel Hamizrahi, who has been pressing strongly for joint action with other religious parties.

Negotiations will now be carried on with representatives of the Agudat Israel workers and with Haoved Hazioni, with a view to the establishment of a United Religious Labour Front.

U.S. Trying to Patch Up Greek Split

ATHENS, Saturday. — The American Ambassador, Mr. John Peurifoy, is exerting all efforts to prevent a deterioration of the situation in Greece following the resignation on Wednesday of the Commander-in-Chief, Field Marshal Alexander Papagos, it is understood here. Today Mr. Peurifoy is to call on both King Paul and the Field Marshal.

Responsible quarters here said the U.S. is taking the most serious view of General Papagos' resignation, which the Americans feel might weaken Greece's defence potential. Mr. Peurifoy, who was due to sail from New York on Thursday, decided to fly upon receiving news of the crisis, which is reportedly due to a disagreement between the King and General Papagos.

The Cabinet officially appointed King Paul Commander-in-Chief of the Greek Armed Forces on Thursday night and made several shifts in Army personnel.

Officers Held

Three Brigadier Generals and seven other senior officers were confined to quarters yesterday, while Premier Sophocles Venizelos appointed a senior judge to investigate sporadic acts of insubordination. The alleged incidents followed the resignation of Papagos. Unconfirmed reports said that troops had been moved from their barracks into military buildings in Athens without previous authorization of the High Command.

The pacified preventive measures taken by the Military Command at midnight on Wednesday were lifted on Thursday. A communique from the military command at Athens said the precautions were taken upon information that reactionary elements could ultimately gain from the resignation and create order.

Acheson Says Peace Possible at Parallel

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Secretary of State Dean Acheson told the Senate MacArthur inquiry that the United States might agree to a cease-fire at the 38th Parallel if there could be a "real settlement" of the Korean war. Mr. Acheson said the U.S. would not agree as part of peace terms either to admit Communist China to the United Nations or to discuss the fate of Formosa.

The Secretary of State declared he knew nothing about reports from London that Britain had approached the U.S. with a plan to negotiate a truce in Korea.

Senator A. Wiley told Mr. Acheson that news dispatches said Mr. Herbert Morrison had contacted the U.S. and other governments on the possibility of ending the war by negotiation.

Earlier today, Mr. Acheson told the Committee he was under instructions from President Truman not to repeat what was said at White House meetings on the dismissal MacArthur.

No blockade Proposal

During the exchange, Mr. Acheson suggested that he ask what was said at a conference between the President and his advisers was like demanding that Supreme Court Justices disclose what they said to each other when deciding cases.

On Formosa, now in the hands of Chinese Nationalists, Mr. Acheson said. "We are not going to allow it to be taken by force. He said yesterday that Formosa's fate should be decided by the U.N. He said a proposed naval blockade on the Chinese mainland was "under constant planning in the Government."

Mr. Acheson testified yesterday that no formal proposal has been made to the U.N. for a naval blockade. He did not think anyone could say whether a world war was more likely to start in Asia or Europe because "one never knows where the spark may come from that might ignite the whole thing."

New Stalemate Reached at 38th

TOKYO, Saturday, (Reuter). —The United Nations chase into North Korea has ended, Lieutenant General James van Fleet, commander of the U.S. Eighth Army, said today. His announcement at a press conference was interpreted by observers here as meaning that a virtual stalemate has been reached.

General van Fleet added that his troops would continue to stop aggression against South Korea and when necessary and profitable would meet such threats in North Korea.

The Communists, he reported, had sustained more than 100,000 casualties between May 16 and 31. Of these 10,000 were prisoners.

In Washington yesterday the Communists were officially estimated to have suffered 1,133,410 casualties since the outbreak of the Korean war.

Counter-Offensive Over

He made his statement as Allied troops occupied firm positions along a series of commanding bridge lines into North Korea, but even before the General's announcement it was obvious that the Allied counter offensive had run its course owing to bad weather and increasing resistance.

Tonight's Eighth Army communique reported slackened Communist resistance all along the line.

Battle positions according to latest reports were: Hwachon — only moderate fighting in the reservoir area, formerly the scene of heavy fighting. Inje — Allies continued their attack, resistance was light to moderate.

East Coast — South Koreans advanced.

Centre — An American patrol cut its way though to Yongchon but later withdrew under cover of tank fire.

West — in the Imjin River area where U.N. forces were still meeting Communist resistance south of the 38th Parallel, patrols continued actions in platoon strength, east and west of the river.

Britain Discussing End to Korean War

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Britain has taken the initiative in discussing with other interested powers what new steps can be taken to end the Korean struggle by negotiation with Communist China, it was officially stated here today.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that he knew of no U.N. government which had expressed itself in favour of a naval blockade of the Chinese coast.

He was asked to comment on a statement before Congress by Admiral Forrest Sherman that Britain was the only government opposing such a blockade.

Canada Will Recruit No More U.N. Troops

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Canada told the United Nations yesterday she does not intend to recruit and train any more armed forces specifically for service with the U.N. at present.

Mr. Lester Pearson, Minister for External Affairs, gave the information to Mr. Trygvie Lie, U.N. Secretary-General, in a note delivered in Ottawa. He also told Parliament of his action.

(Washington officials earlier today said the U.S. will inform the U.N. that America cannot offer any troops for the projected U.N. Collective Security Forces at present, as all her available forces are tied up in Korea and Western Europe).

Mr. Pearson assured the Secretary-General however, that Canada would continue to cooperate with other U.N. measures in collective action against aggression.

Hopes for Peace Rising at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — Hopes of a cease-fire in Korea rose sharply here today after the announcement by Lieutenant General van Fleet that United Nations troops had ended their "chasing" offensive in North Korea.

Diplomats here were studying this announcement in connection with the speech made in Ottawa yesterday by Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary General, stating that the United Nations might be satisfied with a cease fire on the 38th Parallel.

Mr. Lie warned that if there was no cease-fire in Korea in the very near future all U.N. members may have to contribute additionally to the war.

Speaking at a luncheon of the U.N. Association of Canada, Mr. Lie said: "I believe the time has come for a general effort to end the fighting in Korea. If a cease-fire could be arranged approximately along the Parallel, then the main purpose of the Security Council's resolution of June 25 and 27 and July 7 will be fulfilled, providing that the cease-fire is followed by the restoration of peace and security in the area.

"We do not know whether the North Koreans and their supporters are ready to agree to a cease-fire followed by negotiations. Until we do know, the members of the U.N. must continue to fight in Korea with all the forces that can be safely committed to the action."

It was also being recalled here that the Soviet press a short time ago gave great prominence to a statement by the American Senator Edwin Johnston suggesting that the war would be ended on the 38th Parallel before June 25, anniversary of the opening of the Korean war.

Members of the United Nations Good Offices Committee were standing by this weekend in case any peace feeler should come from either the Chinese Communists or the North Korean authorities.

Zionists Will Urge Passage Of $150 Million Aid Bill

By Jesse Zel Lurie
POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Saturday. — A directive sent yesterday by Mr. Louis Lipsky, Chairman of the American Zionist Council, to local Council chairmen throughout the country, welcomed the inclusion of Israel for the first time in the American foreign aid programme.

But as no amount was allocated to Israel out of the $125m. economic aid and $418m. military assistance for the Middle East in the request for $8,500m. foreign aid, Mr. Lipsky urged community leaders to intensify their efforts to persuade their Congressmen to support the $150m. Israel Grant-in-aid Bill.

Cautious Approach

The purpose of the directive is two-fold. First, to counteract the Administration's critics, both here and in Israel, who have attacked President Truman for not including the entire $150m. sum requested by Israel. Second, to secure the maximum Congressional support for the grant in order to ensure the greatest possible amount for Israel in the omnibus foreign aid bill which will soon begin its tortuous path through both Houses and will be subjected to many excisions and changes before it is passed.

Though he is critical of the President's regional approach to Middle East aid, Mr. Lipsky clearly belongs to the school of those who do not look gift horses in the mouth. Only a small proportion of the countries of the world which need U.S. help will receive outright gifts from the Treasury. The Indian Bill for $190m. for food has been passed by both Houses as a loan and not as a gift, as was originally proposed.

Israel was originally slated for about $900,000, when the State Department was formulating the foreign aid proposals last autumn and may get as much as $50m. if the President's recommendation are followed.

As Israel has more friends in Congress than in the State Department it is entirely probable that while the total sum of foreign aid may be cut down, Israel's share may be increased by Congress above the President's proposal. But any outright attack on the President's suggestions as not being enough might not only be prejudicial but might also lose Israel Congressional suport, in the opinion of the bill's backers.

U.S. BANS TRAVEL TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.S. today imposed a ban on travel by American citizens to Czechoslovakia. State Department officials said the arrest of A. P. correspondent William Matis six weeks ago was the latest of a series of incidents which made it clearly undesirable to permit travel to Czechoslovakia.

The Prague branch of the French News Agency, Agence France Presse, closed today. No date has been fixed for its re-opening.

INDIA ADOPTS CURBS ON FREEDOM OF SPEECH

NEW DELHI, Saturday (Reuter).—Parliament today made its first amendment to India's 16 month-old constitution by altering the fundamental rights section to allow "permissible" curbs on freedom of speech and expression.

It also accepted changes to facilitate abolition of the feudal land tenure system and to ensure the advancement of the backward castes. The Bill making these changes was passed tonight by 228 votes to 20.

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Social & Personal

Dr. S. Herman, of the World Executive of Agudat Israel, and Mrs. Herman have returned to Zurich after an extended stay in Israel.

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Mr. Ya'acov Massie and Mr. Avraham Varili have returned from Algiers from a mission on behalf of the Central Committee of the United Israel Campaign in Jerusalem.

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Mr. Aaron Rosenfeld has left by S.A.S. plane for the Scandinavian countries on his annual business trip.

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Dr. S. Kliger, Professor of English Literature at Duke University and Visiting Professor in American Civilization at the University of Milan, will deliver a guest-lecture under the auspices of the Hebrew University, on "Rabbinical Lore in Maxwell Anderson's 'Winterset'" at 8 p.m. today at Terra Sancta College, Jerusalem, Room 29, 4th Floor.

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Dr. Y. Prawer, of the Hebrew University, will lecture on "Politics and Society in the Crusaders' Kingdom of Jerusalem" under the auspices of the Israel Historical Society at 8.15 on Tuesday evening at Bet Shalom in Talbieh.

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A memorial meeting for Haim Katznelson, veteran Hebrew journalist, will be held at five o'clock this afternoon in the offices of the Jerusalem Journalists' Association, Rehov Shamai. Prof. J. Klausner, Professor Emeritus at the Hebrew University; Mr. Gershon Agron, editor of The Jerusalem Post, and M. Y. Pinkelstein, acting editor of "Ha'aretz," will speak.

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Flag Day in aid of the Anti-Tuberculosis League, will be held in Haifa today and tomorrow.

2nd Half-Million Dunams To Be Ploughed in South

Preparations have begun for the ploughing of a second 500,000 dunams in the south in the area of Kibbut Hatzirim and Kibbutz Elim next winter. Two hundred tractors from settlements of all types are to be used in the project.

It will be recalled that the cultivation of half-a-million dunams in the Faluja area was begun in March. This operation has been completed.

Both undertakings are conducted by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Water Shortage Ends In Bat Yam

BAT YAM, Saturday. — A new pump and well, which went into operation here yesterday, are delivering more than the combined amount given by the two previous wells. Installed at a cost of IL.1,000 the new plant is expected to obviate water shortage.

Mr. A. Ben Ari, chairman of the Local Council, said it was hoped that a 1,000-cubic metre reservoir would be built.

Because of a serious labour shortage about 300 workers are being brought in daily from outside areas. The Local Council has appealed to the Jewish Agency for the establishment of a new ma'abara to help provide hands for local factories.

The Council is offering plots of land free to industrialists who can guarantee employment to 15 workers per dunam of land. Half of the total number of labourers must be unskilled workers from the neighbourhood who are to be trained in new jobs.

15,000 Students Hold Parley at Hadera

HADERA, Saturday. — More than 15,000 secondary school pupils from 25 schools were represented by 47 delegates at a country-wide conference here this week-end. Two Nazareth schools were represented.

The conference decided to appeal for a revision of school syllabuses and for lower tuition fees, and to press for the establishment of an association of pupils.

VOICE OF AMERICA ON SIXTH WAVE-LENGTH

The Hebrew programme of the Voice of America may be heard on a sixth wave length beginning this evening. The additional wave length is 16.83 metres (17795 kc.).

Adobe Offered As Solution To Housing Crisis

By Our Economic Correspondent

WHEN this Correspondent was in London last autumn an architect working with a prominent development company asked about housing conditions in Israel. When he heard about the appalling housing shortage, and the lack of raw materials, he asked in amazement why we did not put up adobe huts, as in Mexico and in the Western United States.

Another expert, this time a visitor who had spent most of his working life in Asian countries, asked why housing-starved Israel did not follow the time-hallowed Asian practice of building in mud and water. He was told that Israel would produce enough cement in a number of years to solve the housing problem.

The Minister of Trade and Industry announced at a press conference some weeks ago that he had appointed a commission to investigate possible changes in building methods in order to save costly imported materials. Among the proposals before this committee is the erection of adobe huts. On the same occasion the Minister stressed that the shortage of cement was not the only bottleneck in construction work. Other materials needed for cement structures, such as iron, wood and so on, would cost a formidable amount of dollars even if all the necessary cement was already produced in this country.

Apparently, it requires the eyes of a newcomer not yet accustomed to the appalling housing conditions caused by mass immigration to see the dangers in the present position. This winter prevented the expected misery in the ma'barot, and the public appears to have resigned itself to a state of affairs where a flat must be bought with thousands of pounds, and where the arrival of a baby often means a major catastrophe.

Widespread Method

But this waiting for miracles and the mood of resignation will not prevent the debacle which we escaped this winter. Neither will the expected rain of dollars give relief. We shall need the dollars for other urgent supplies; immigration will be on the increase, at least during the next few months. People must be housed, and if we cannot give them housing by European methods, we must try methods used elsewhere. Experts who know Asia and America indicate that the only way out lies in the introduction of the type of houses built by the Arabs in this country and by people all over Asia and certain parts of America.

Adobe huts are built of bricks made from mud and water, with straw or other cheap and easily available materials as a binder. Properly constructed, they are durable and easily repaired. They are cool in summer and require a minimum of skilled labour. The only material which would have to be brought from abroad would be wood for doors and window-frames. Even without proper training, the immigrants could quickly learn to build their own dwellings, which would be so cheap that they would be able to afford houses roomy enough for larger families.

It is strange that this way out of the present impasse has not been tried before. It has not been tried because we have sought solutions only within the limits of the technologically advanced Western countries. We have imported mammoth machines in order to save labour, while we are only able to give people employment three days a week. It has not been tried because the methods used by primitive peoples were not considered worth studying. There was, moreover, the conviction that mud huts would not come up to modern standards of hygiene, and that Jewish immigrants would refuse to live in primitive dwellings. But during the last couple of years our standards have been going down steadily. A crowded tent is surely no more hygienic than a roomy mud hut. An aluminium hut is certainly not better than an adobe house, neither in view of suitability to the climate nor of adequate dwelling space.

Many Improvements

With imagination and energy it will not be necessary to revert to the primitive mud hut used by the poor Arab fellah. The adobe structure can be improved by tiled floors and tiled roofs and, where necessary, can be erected on stone foundations. All this has been done in prosperous Arab villages here. A luxurious type of adobe dwelling has been developed in certain parts of the United States. In short, mud bricks can be exploited in accordance to the economic possibilities. To use them at all, and on a large scale, would solve the problem of raw materials and to a large extent the problem of skilled labour. No theoretical discussion will be needed to decide the feasibility of this scheme. A few thousand pounds and some instructors familiar with adobe building would make it possible to build half a dozen trial houses. This might make the people at the top change their minds.

Scholarship Fund

A Scholarship Fund of IL.500 has been set up at the Hebrew University by Mr. and Mrs. Zvi Zipor, of Tel Aviv, according to the terms of the will of the late Mr. Jacob Ben Meir, an advocate who died in 1940. Established in memory of Mr. Ben Meir's daughter, Meira, the interest on the Fund will be awarded to a student who distinguishes himself in the field of child psychology.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.
TEL AVIV: 463, 283 & 522 M.:

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 6, 8.20 and 10.35 p.m.; English: 2 and 10.15 p.m.; Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 3 p.m.; Turkish: 10 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music: R. Amar. 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music (R). 11.00 Musical Calendar (R). 12.00 M. Break for Music (R). 12.30 Programme for Hospitals (R). 1.00 Soldiers' Programme. 1.45 Housewives' Corner. 3.15 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 4.30 Dance Music (R). 4.45 Piano Recital: Alexander Kamensky. 5.00 Kol Tisrael Orchestra: Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger; Soloist: Nelly Picker: Operas. 5.30 Film Review. 5.45 Musical Programme, Announcements. 6.15 Football Match: Dundee (Scotland)—Hapoel (Tel Aviv). (Relay from Ramat Gan Stadium). 7.00 Agricultural Corner. 7.45 Bible Reading. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 Excerpts from Israel Theatres. 9.15 "The Citizen Wants to Know..." 9.45 From the World of Music. 10.30 Variety (R). 11.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (32.2 M.): 7.00 p.m. Yiddish; 7.20 p.m. Ladino; 7.40 p.m. French; 8.00 p.m. Rumanian; 8.15 p.m. Hungarian.

Kol Zion Lagola (32.2 M.): 12.15 a.m. Newsreel. 12.30 "Personal Column" by W. Eytan. 12.45 "Women in the Knesset."

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.91 and 24.93 M.): 7.30 News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Programme Parade. 7.48 Requests.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (220, 255 & 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme. Announcements. 6.33 Variety. 7.00 Land Forces Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Sports. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Talk. 8.45 Folk Dances. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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17,000 Left To Come from Iraq

Jerusalem Post Reporter

For some months, there will be a drop in the immigration rate after the Iraq airlift ends in June, Mr. Y. Raphael, Head of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency told The Post last week. While the total number of immigrants in the first half of 1951 will be 130,000, the estimated figure for the second half is 80 to 90,000.

Because of technical difficulties in May, only 17,000 immigrants arrived from Iraq instead of the planned 20,000; thus leaving more than 17,000 for June—the last of the 105,000 who registered to emigrate. There are still another 25,000 Jews in Iraq who did not register.

According to reports received here, many of those who did not register — and who belong to the wealthier of Iraq Jewry — would like now to emigrate, in view of the latest internal developments in that country. But it is not yet known what the attitude of Iraq will be on this question.

In June, the total number of immigrants will be 25 to 27,000. Immigration from Rumania will continue at its present rate of from 6,000 to 7,000 a month. Immigration from North Africa, sharply curtailed during the airlift, will increase, especially of youth. The pressure of emigration from Persia—in view of the latest developments—is increasing day by day, Mr. Raphael said.

Major groups expected in the second half of 1951, are:

Rumania	45,000
Persia	6,000
North Africa	4,000
Transit Camps:	
Teheran and France	2,000
Bulgaria	2,000
Hungary	1,000
Other European countries	3,500
Lybia	2,000
India	2,000
Turkey	1,000

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 3-6: Chagall Exhibition (oils, drawings, engravings, ceramics); Bezalel Museum.

10-1; 4-7: Graphics & Etchings by South Californian artists; Works by Mrs. Glika; Artists House.

11-1: 'Cezanne to Picasso' Exhibition of Prints; New Bezalel School.

TEL AVIV

3-8 p.m.: Retrospective Exhibition Albert Marquet; Recent works by Kahana; Tel Aviv Museum.

8.30 p.m.: "Enemy of the People": Chamber Theatre; Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-8.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.

10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 9 Hassan Shukri Street.

GIVATAYIM

9 p.m.: Moishe Oliver: Naga.

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 3.30, 7, 9 p.m.

EDEN: Father of the Bride. Also today at 10.30 a.m.

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STUDIO: The Bicycle Thief.

ZION: Dark Past.

Haifa Cinemas

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Housing Lack Stumps Professional Aliya

Of the first group of 15 specialists brought here this year by the Professional and Technical Workers Aliya (PATWA) seven or eight have decided to settle in Israel, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

According to the two men running the agency—Mr. Zvi Shiffrin and Mr. Yitzhak Wolfson—the housing shortage is the chief reason that the percentage is not higher.

"Finding jobs for professionals is no problem," they declared. "Finding them housing is where we and their potential employers run into a stone wall."

Of the 200 who came under the organization's auspices last year, about 75 per cent have stayed. It is expected that the same number will be brought this year and that the same percentage will settle.

"While interest in PATWA is increasing daily abroad, the housing situation has grown worse," they observed. "As a result we have concentrated on attracting junior professionals who are either single or married and without children."

The great majority of those coming for a "look round" this year are doctors. Of the first group of 15 that was here, six were doctors of whom five will settle here. Some idea of the other professions represented in the groups to be brought here may be gathered from the character of the first group. In addition to the doctors were a psychiatric social worker, a civil engineer, a nurse, a teacher, a toolmaker, a dentist, an economist, a land surveyor and a bee specialist.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON FRIDAY

Ulisse, It., cement, Nurian, Tur., gen. cargo, cement, Atlantic, Tur., waiting to offload, Grecian, Br., gen. cargo, Arisa, Is., gen. cargo, Rustas, Tur., immigrants, South, Tur., gen. cargo, Kassandra, Is., wood, Negotiahart, Pan., gen. cargo, AO, Nicholaos, Gr., chalk, Illenao, Pan., wheat, China Bear, U.S., gen. cargo, wood, Cleita Campanella, It., wood, Aghios Nicolaos, Gr., wood, Sadikhan, Tur., gen. cargo, Steel Ranger, U.S., soya, Dromit, Is., wood, Karmonnet, Tur., wood, Hanah Senesh, Is., Compt. unloading, Marchetto, It.

SHIPS EXPECTED

1.6 Venerator, wood, Marchlewski, gen. cargo, machines, Rio Lujan, frozen meat.
2.6 Trakia, household effects, Nestor, gen. cargo.
3.6 Hashlosha, gen. cargo, Samehind, frozen fish, milk-powder, Rio Quinto, frozen meat.
4.6 Sannasland, bagged cargo, Steel Seafarer, mail, gen. cargo, Sdo, gen. cargo, Strangia, household goods.
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Holon, Arnona Cinema Friday, June 8, 9 p.m.
Jaffa, "Jaffaor" Cinema Saturday, June 9, 9 p.m.
Givataim Mon.: June 11, 9 p.m.
Jerusalem: Edison Hall Wednesday, June 13, 9 p.m.

COCKBURN REGISTERS PARIS UPSET

One of the first upsets in the French International Tennis Championships in Paris was registered by the young South African player Norman Cockburn, who eliminated the more favoured Marcel Bernard, of France, in the Second Round by 2-6, 4/6, 6/1, 6/2, 6/1.

The Frenchman started off well and looked as if he had the win in his pocket, but he collapsed after the first two sets and was no match for the South African for the remainder of the game. Wladislaw Skonecki, who went into exile after playing with the Polish Davis Cup team in Switzerland, also advanced to the Third Round defeating Alcides Procoppio, of Brazil, 6/3, 6/1, 6/4, 6/1.

Other Second Round results included: Fausto Gardini (Italy) bt. L. Norgard (S. Africa), 6/3, 6/1, 6/3, 6/4; Mervin Rose (Australia) bt. D. Bergamo (Italy), 6/2, 6/2, 6/1; Raimundo Deyro (Philippines) bt. Robert Haillet (France), 6/1, 6/2, 6/3; Tony Mottram (Gt. Britain) won by default from Robert Blondot (France); Paul Remy (France) bt. A.C. Van Swoll (Holland), 6/3, 9/7, 6/2; Gardner Mulloy (U.S.) bt. J. Jacques (France), 6/0, 6/1, 6/1; V. Cernik (Egypt) bt. M. Matous (France), 6/4, 6/3, 6/4; Paddy Roberts (Gt. Britain) bt. R. Winkler (U.S.), 7/5, 6/1, 6/0; Bernard Destremeau (France) bt. J. Spitzer (Switzerland), 6/3, 6/2, 6/2; Jaroslav Drobny (Egypt) bt. Francis Nye (France), 6/4, 6/0, 6/3; Sven Davidson (Sweden) bt. Cesar Carmona (Philippines), 6/1, 7/5, 6/0; Lennart Bergelin (Sweden) bt. B. Lemyze (France), 6/2, 6/2, 6/4.

In the women's division, Beverly Baker, the young U.S. star, beat Sra. Manuela Bologna, of Italy, 6/2, 7/5; Miss E. Andrews, Gr. Britain, defeated Mme. Suzanne Savoye, France, 6/4, 6/4; and Mlle. Myrtil Dubois bt. Mrs. Stella Van Coyer, 6/3, 6/3.

ANOTHER WIN FOR "SUGAR"

"Sugar" Ray Robinson, world middleweight boxing champion, knocked tough Jean Wanes, of France, to the canvas five times last Monday in Zurich to win a 10-round decision.

At the end of the match, Wanes, who had taken a brutal beating, was pursuing Robinson around the ring in a desperate effort to land a knock-out punch. Six thousand spectators, including a good number of enthusiastic G.I.'s from Germany, watched Robinson win the second match of his current tour of Europe.

JAPAN SENDING 150 ATHLETES

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Lydda Airport	51	15	30	29
Jerusalem	69	17	25	25
Beersheba	20	—	32	31

Forecast: Fair.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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More than a kilogram of hashish was confiscated from a man in the Zichron Yosef quarter in Jerusalem on Friday. He was found to be in possession of a large sum of money which he reportedly received earlier for the sale of another quantity of the drug. The man has been arrested.

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Four armed thieves, brandishing pistols and Sten guns, were frightened off from a carpentry shop in the Shapiro quarter of Tel Aviv early Friday morning by three workers, after the thieves had unsuccessfully demanded money. The thieves fired several shots into the air before making off.

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A new telephone line has been installed between Ramle and Nahariya and is expected to lead to an improvement in the service between Jerusalem and the north of the country.

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The monthly sale of unclaimed lost property will be held at the Northern Police Station at 223 Rehov Dizengoff, Tel Aviv, at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning.

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The Hamashbir Hamerkazi ice factory in Beersheba is due to start production this morning and will manufacture between 250 and 300 blocks daily. At present, about 150 blocks of ice are brought to Beersheba from other areas.

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The Histadrut, General Zionists and Religious Bloc have put forward candidates for the election for the first Local Council of Givat Ada which is to be held on June 12.

Vocational School Pupils Win Awards

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Ten scholarships of IL.35 each were awarded yesterday by the Histadrut Executive to outstanding pupils of several vocational schools. The scholarships have been established to commemorate the death of two airmen, Aharon David Sprinzak, son of the Knesset Speaker, and Matityahu Sukenik, son of Prof. E. Sukenik, and brother of the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aloof Yigael Yadin, who died in action against an Egyptian naval craft off Tel Aviv two years ago.

The ceremony was held at the Max Fein Vocational School here, of which Aharon Sprinzak had been a graduate. The parents and relatives of the two airmen were present. The scholarship winners came from "Amal" schools in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Ramle and Karkur. The speakers were Mr. I. Merom, of the Histadrut Executive, Sgan-Aloof Y. Keren, of the Airforce; Mr. I. Haskin, Histadrut treasurer; and Mr. David Cohen, the author. The Kaminsky quartet gave a recital.

Mapai, Mapam Regretted, Seen as Lesser Evil

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — The deterioration of social relations within the group and the Mapam majority's claim to domination were the reasons for the split of the Kibbutz Hameuhad movement, said Mr. Z. Scheffer, of Ayelet Hashahar, in his opening address at the conference of 3,000 Mapai representatives and guests from the Kibbutz Hameuhad and other settlements at Kinneret last night.

"The Kibbutz Hameuhad has harnessed itself to an opposition party and thus drifted away from the Histadrut and the State," he said. In the past, the group has been a creative and pioneering force.

"Deprived of these fundamentals, it has lost its content. It cannot live on doctrines imported from abroad. It must not interfere with the freedom of the individual and must not become party-affiliated. An atmosphere has developed which makes it impossible for the members of the two different parties to live together under one roof."

"The new kibbutz movement which will be set up must serve the Histadrut and the State, the ingathering of the exiles and a pioneering and labour Zionism. The united pioneer youth movement must be renewed here and in the Diaspora. The kibbutz must be open to every worker and member of the Histadrut, regardless of his politics, and must aim at an orientation alongside our comrades in Hever Hakvutzot," he said.

Inevitable Split

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. P. Lavon, one of the guests and himself a member of a Hever Hakvutzot settlement, said he regretted the split and the damage it caused, but realized that it had become inevitable.

At today's session, Mr. Y. Duvdevani, Secretary of the new kibbutz movement, to be called the Socialist Zionist Kibbutz Association, said that so far 21 settlements had joined up and another four would follow soon.

Mr. S. Lavee, of Ein Harod, and a Knesset member, urged the formation of a single economic framework for all labour settlements irrespective of their organizational and political affiliation, even including the agricultural settlements of Hapoel Hamizrahi. A beginning should be made by centralization within districts, to be broadened on a country-wide scale, when the situation was ripe for it.

2 Hurt, 6 Detained In Labour Clash

RAMLE, Saturday (ITIM). — Two workers were slightly injured in a clash involving a picket of striking workers, members of the Histadrut and members of the National Labour Federation who are continuing to work at the "Lachatz ve'Melet" factory here. The owner is a member of the Federation, a Revisionist union.

The clash occurred when the strike-breakers attempted to push through the picket line. Four Histadrut members and two Federation members were arrested and released on bail. A knife found on one of the latter was confiscated. The strikers are demanding higher wages.

Among the employees of this factory are five brothers, three of whom are members of the Histadrut and are now on strike, and two are members of the Federation who are continuing their work.

For using another person's ration card, Haim Kuperbaum, of Tel Aviv, was fined IL.300 by the Anti-Profiteering Court in Tel Aviv last week.

Election Fever Runs High in Beersheba

BEERSHEBA, Saturday — Election fever, which is mounting here in anticipation of the municipal voting on Monday, is expected to reach a peak tomorrow evening, when Mr. Moshe Sharett, the Foreign Minister and Acting Prime Minister, Dr. Moshe Sneh (Mapam) and Mr. M. Begin (Herut) will address three meetings here at the same hour.

This evening, Mayor David Tuviahu and Mr. Z. Aranne, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, addressed a gathering of 2,000.

More than 1,000 identity cards, already made out, were received by the registration office here from the Ministry of the Interior on Wednesday. Instructions were given the local office here to remain open continuously until 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and until 10 o'clock tomorrow night, but it is considered doubtful here that the lone registration clerk will be able to distribute all cards in time for the election. The registration office will be closed on Election Day itself.

All political parties have lodged protests with the Ministry over the late arrival of the cards and the lack of personnel to distribute them.

Resolutions Adopted On Agency's Role

Draft resolutions on the role of the Zionist Movement in Israel and the Diaspora were formulated on Friday at a meeting of the Jewish Agency Executive Committee on Resolutions for the Zionist Congress. It was attended by Messrs. B. Locker, A. Dobkin, M. Grossman, and M. Kol.

U.S. Manufacturer Sets Up Credit Fund

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Raw materials for a considerable sum will be acquired for local industry out of a revolving credit established here by Mr. David Kluger, a prominent New York businessman and textile manufacturer, who has spent three weeks in Israel studying the problems of Israel industry.

Mr. Kluger is also a member of the Board of Governors of the bond drive in America. While here, Mr. Kluger inspected many factories and conferred with Mr. Arieh Shenkar, President of the Manufacturers' Association. He was much impressed with the equipment and efficiency of local industries.

"There is no question that Israel, within time, will be in the position of an export nation," Mr. Kluger said. To provide for a flow of raw materials, Mr. Kluger has established the revolving credit with the Palestine Industries, Ltd., the business organization of the Manufacturers' Association which makes collective purchases for local industry.

U.S. Investors To Tour Israel

NEW YORK, Saturday, (UP). — A delegation of U.S. businessmen and industrialists will leave here on July 22 to make a month's study of Israel's economic possibilities, Mr. Benjamin Browdy, President of Z.O.A., announced here this week.

The trip, sponsored by the Z.O.A. "Planning Institute for Israel," is part of a programme to promote the investment of private capital in Israel.

DUNDEE PLAYS HAPOEL TODAY

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Dundee football team will meet Hapoel Tel Aviv in the second match of their Israel tour at the Ramat Gan Stadium at 5.30 tomorrow afternoon. The game promises to be an outstanding one, as both teams will use their best players.

The visitors' side will include their top player, Tommy Gallagher, who did not play in the first match owing to a slight injury sustained during a practice game last week. The Hapoel side have been in intensive training for the past week.

Special efforts are being made to ensure speedy transport to and from the stadium, and special Dan buses will run from a number of points in Tel Aviv and Jaffa. Ticket offices are being opened near the stadium for tomorrow's match, and special reductions will be granted in the standing area for workers and school children.

Detention Ordered For 2 More Zealots

Two more orders of detention for seven months were obtained in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court on Friday. This brings to 10 the total of persons held under Court orders as a result of the discovery of an alleged Knesset plot.

The two are Beilg Ascher Weinberg and Shlomo Ben Hanilush Cohen. They are charged with participating in an illegal organization in Jerusalem and with conspiring to set on fire cars driven on Saturdays.

Cohen is also accused of conspiring to destroy butcher shops selling non-kosher meat.

The orders of detention are for 15 days each and were issued by Magistrate Y. Cohen.

Court Quashes Two 'Banek Charges

HAIFA, Saturday. — Two charges against Andre Banek, on trial for war crimes, were quashed by the Haifa District Court yesterday:

1. Of having caused bodily harm to Jews between November, 1939, and May, 1940, of having dangerously wounded a three-year-old child, and maltreated L. Rothman, an advocate, and other Jews;
2. Of having, as a member of the Hlinka Guards, wounded a refugee, Mr. Y. Freiman, with a knife or a rifle near the Hungarian Slovak border.

The District Attorney told the Court that as these two charges were based only on the testimony of Mr. Freiman, the prosecution would not ask for a conviction on them. Defence Counsel, Mr. Y. Doron, had asked for an acquittal on the two counts, but the Court deleted them because of insufficient evidence.

Communist Paper On Another Libel Charge

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — The Communist newspaper, "Kol Ha'am" was charged in the District Court here yesterday with criminal libel against a police officer, who had aided in the arrest of several persons demonstrating against General Robertson in January.

The article referred to Assistant Superintendant Yitzhak Steinberg as the "murderer of Sioma Mironiansky" (the Communist Party secretary in 1941) and as a "British agent."

Tourist and Wife Charged with Fraud

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — An Argentine tourist and his wife, charged with receiving thousands of pounds from various persons under the pretence that they were about to set up a cement factory in Lydda, were confronted in the Magistrate's Court here yesterday by one of their alleged victims.

The witness, Eliezer Shpak, of Rehovot, said that he had sold land for IL.4,000 and had given the accused IL.1,300 of it after the latter had shown him permits purportedly for large quantities of machinery which the accused had purchased abroad.

The witness also said he had given the accused other large sums for travel expenses to Italy, where the accused allegedly said he had left money and machines. After several months, the witness reported the man and his wife to the police.

The preliminary hearing, which is being held before Mr. I. Matalon, is to be resumed on June 13.

LEATHER DISTRIBUTION

Seven and a half tons of leather are being allotted to cobblers for all of Israel and not 75 tons for Haifa as reported in *The Post* recently.

70 Baby Bears, Monkeys, Elephants Die in Plane

By Shabo Guebeallian
POST Correspondent

NICOSIA, Saturday. — More than 70 baby elephants, bear cubs and monkeys and hundreds of birds, en route from Bangkok to Amsterdam and destined for zoos in Europe, America and Israel were found asphyxiated here today inside a KLM Skymaster which was carrying a large shipment of animals.

The "flying zoo" landed at Nicosia last night, with its animal cargo, part of which was to have been flown on to Lydda this morning. Early today airport staff detected a strong stench from the direction of the parked aircraft. When the doors were flung open the monkeys and birds were found dead or dying. In many cases signs of violent struggle were apparent, while weird noises came from the animals in all parts of the aircraft.

Mr. Dirk Ritz, a zoo specialist from Amsterdam, stumbled out from the cockpit in a hysterical state. He had accompanied the animals all the way to supervise their safe passage. He had spent the night on the plane and had been taken ill.

A government veterinary doctor arrived and disinfected a large area of parking space. The dead animals were then dumped into barrels and carried to town to be burnt. A KLM official stated that the line had frequently carried zoo animals, but this was the first serious accident. Among the animals were baby elephants, bear cubs, pythons, cobras and snakes for the zoos of Tel Aviv, Milan, Amsterdam, Brussels, London, Copenhagen, Dublin, New York and Cincinnati.

The cause of the accident is being investigated.

Two Children Drowned

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Eight-year-old Aharon Drory (Djalovsky) was drowned while bathing in a Hadera public swimming pool today. He is understood to have received a blow on his left temple from an unidentified object.

A boy of about 10 years of age who was rescued from the sea opposite London Square here yesterday afternoon, died shortly afterwards while on the way to hospital. The victim has not yet been identified.

DIES IN FALL

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A Municipal Hospital patient here jumped or fell from the second floor of the hospital on Friday morning, and died shortly afterwards. The patient, who had recently undergone an operation, was later identified as Arieh Fisher, 45, of Tel Aviv.

Child Badly Hurt By Grenade Explosion

Five-year-old Yitzhak Ben Rafael Sasson was seriously wounded when a grenade with which he was playing exploded in Jerusalem on Friday. He found it in Rehov Shlomo Hamelech and carried it to his home in the Hotel Fast building. The child dropped the grenade in front of the building and it exploded. He was taken to hospital.

IRAQ KING REPORTED ABDULLAH'S HEIR

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — The Cairo newspaper "Akher Lahza" said today in an Amman dispatch that King Abdullah had decided to modify Jordan's constitution and proclaim the young King Feisal of Iraq as Jordan's heir apparent.

The paper's correspondent said King Abdullah believed this was a practical step towards unity between Jordan and Iraq in preparation for a greater union.

King Abdullah visited Beirut by air on Friday to see his son, Emir Talal, who is undergoing medical treatment near the Lebanese capital. During his brief visit King Abdullah lunched with the Lebanese President.

Egypt to Increase Border Patrols

Egypt will increase her patrols along her armistice lines with Israel and considerably enlarge her fortifications there, it has been decided by a joint meeting between the Premier, Nahas Pasha, the Chief of Staff, Osman el Almadi, and the Commander of the Gaza area, ANA reports from Cairo.

It was also decided to send more arms and equipment to Syria if she should request aid.

Chagall Exhibit Sets Up Record

For the first time in the history of any Israel museum, the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem closed its doors yesterday afternoon when a record crowd of more than 1,000 persons visited the Chagall exhibition. Many were turned away.

Among those who unsuccessfully tried to enter was the former Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Daniel Auster.

Water Supply Quadrupled In Two Years

JAFFA, Saturday. — Addressing an open-air meeting in Givat Aliya this evening, Mr. P. Lavon, Minister of Agriculture, said that the total water supply of this country had increased from 50m. cubic metres per year in 1949 to 100m. in 1950, and would reach to 200m. cubic metres annually by the end of this year.

Mr. Lavon, who was speaking to a crowd of about 1,000 on Congress and Knesset election problems, said that two extreme methods of building up a country were thinkable. One was the "American method," in which each individual was for himself and in which the weak went to the wall in a tooth-and-nail fight. The second was the "Bolshevik method," in which the state was directed by a dictatorship which was ready to sacrifice millions of citizens to achieve its aim.

Neither of these methods were suited to Israel, the Minister said. We were not rich enough to enjoy the luxury of the American method, and not sufficient in number to adopt the Soviet way, nor did we choose to do so.

Yehuda Cisnalarsky, 50, who was arrested on charges of war crimes last week, was released by the Tel Aviv Magistrate on Friday on IL.2,000 bail.

Costello, Valera Tied at Polls

DUBLIN, Saturday (Reuter). — Ireland's general election result now depends on seven Independents who hold the balance of power between the two stalemated major factions of the seven Independents. The votes will determine whether war-time Premier Eamon de Valera's conservative Fianna Fail Party is restored to office, or whether Premier John Costello's predominantly Conservative coalition government carries on.

The final figures gave the four-party coalition (Fine Gael, Labour, Farmers, Republican) 64 seats in the Dail with the certain support of seven Independents, a total of 71. Mr. de Valera had 69 seats. If the remaining seven Independents gave him their backing, he could form a government, but the possibility is not considered strong.

Although the Independents are generally considered to be supporters of the coalition, a walkout by some of them from the last Dail precipitated the election.

Mr. de Valera's Fianna Fail party has always been regarded as the most nationalist and the most persistent in its demands for union with the Northern Counties, at present under British administration.

At the time of the repeal of the External Relations Bill in 1949, a number of Mr. Costello's supporters accused him of yielding to pressure from the opposition and betraying thousands of Irishmen who had only voted for Fine Gael because of its declared policy of remaining within the British Commonwealth.

Hague Court Gives Ruling on Genocide

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The International Court of Justice at The Hague has given a decision on an appeal submitted by the United Nations in accordance with the verbal evidence submitted by Israel, it was learned here.

Israel's "case" was submitted six weeks ago by Mr. S. Rosenne, Legal Adviser to the Foreign Minister, in this country's first appearance before the Court. The opposing view was put forward by Sir Hartley Shawcross, British Attorney-General.

The case involved the right of nations which have not yet signed or ratified the Genocide Convention to raise objections to reservations submitted by other nations while signing the conventions.

Britain, who has not yet signed the Genocide Convention, had objected to reservations made by the Soviet Union when signing.

Helicopter Draws Big Crowds

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — School children ran out of their classes and people rushed to the seashore here yesterday morning to get their first view of a helicopter which, to the delight of the children, stood still in the air, went straight up and straight down.

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Cables in Brief

TOUR. — Mr. William Fawley, special adviser to Secretary of State Dean Acheson, will leave today for a month's tour of Europe, the Middle East and South Asia.

HELICOPTER. — The first municipal passenger helicopter service in the world has been opened by British European Airways. It will carry 14 passengers at a time between London and Birmingham.

WHEAT. — The first shipment of Russian wheat under the recently concluded Indo-Soviet agreement arrived in Bombay on Friday.

AMBASSADOR. — Dr. Jos Rivasano, the first accredited Ambassador of the West German Republic, has presented his credentials to President Luigi Einaudi of Italy. He had previously been German Consul in Rome.

NEWSPRINT. — An increase of £10 a ton in the price of newsprint has been announced in Toronto by the Bowater Canadian operating company. The New York price will now be $116 and the Canadian $112.

REJECTED. — President Peron will reject Britain's protest at the establishment of a new Argentine base in Antarctic territory claimed by Britain, it has been learned in informed quarters in Buenos Aires.

REJOINED. — Yugoslavia has rejoined the International Labour Organization. She withdrew in 1947 claiming it was incompatible with economic and social conditions in Yugoslavia.

'Tourist Fares' On Planes in 1953

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday (ITIM). — Special "tourist fares," giving a 40 per cent reduction on transatlantic flights, will come into operation on all services crossing the Atlantic in October, 1953. This decision was reached at the Bermuda Conference of the International Air Transport Association, according to Dr. D. Bar Ness, who returned yesterday. He represented El Al.

The special fares will cover transport in specially-equipped planes which will carry more passengers without some of the luxury of normal air travel. No meals will be served en route.

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BAR MITZVAH OF THEIR SON,
MICHA

With deep sorrow we announce the death on May 30, 1951, after a short illness of our beloved sister and niece
HANNA LINA SALKIND
The brothers Adam, Itzhak, Michael, Uncle and Aunt.
The funeral took place in Nahariya on May 31, 1951.
S'chunat Poah, 84 Mountain Rd., Haifa.

We deeply regret to announce the death of our beloved mother, grandmother, aunt and cousin
RIVKA STRUGO
The funeral will leave the Hadassah Hospital, Tel Aviv, at 11.30 a.m. today, June 3, 1951, for the Nahlat Itzhak Cemetery.
Abraham, Joseph & Raphael Strugo Families.
Masaltov Benevista and Family.
Esther Strugo.
Rachel Carasso and Family.
Condolences to the home of the departed, 99 Rehov Dizengoff, Tel Aviv.

AUCTION SALE
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IN the mapping of development plans, the exploitation of natural resources claims high priority. The reorganization, in one form or another, of the Dead Sea plants is only one step in this direction.

IN SEARCH OF OIL

Another step, the results of which cannot yet be accurately foreseen, is the search for oil.

The present struggle over the nationalization of oilfields and installations in Iran reminds us that Israel belongs to the Middle East not only politically, but also as regards the "wells of power," and that it borders on countries so rich in oil that most of their revenue comes from this source. Moreover, this country's functions as a transit station to the Western world gained in importance by the establishment of the Haifa refineries. No economic oil-bearing strata have been found so far. But since the establishment of the State, the initiative is no longer in the hands of those who were interested in concessions, not for development purposes, but primarily in order to have control of the exploitation of the oil. Developments in Iran will no doubt induce the same groups to take renewed interest in the unexplored resources of Israel even though their concessions are of doubtful legal value, since Israel declines to consider itself as the successor government to the Mandatory power.

The Government has recently increased its own exploratory work. So far, scanty information only has reached the public, such as the discovery of bitumen and peat, materials often found in the neighbourhood of oil. But even from the available information it would appear that the Negev in particular is a vast reservoir of natural resources, and that oil may be among them. It is also known that a firm of experts of international renown has submitted a hopeful report on the basis of a geophysical survey carried out last year.

If oil is found in quantities that make exploitation possible, the vicinity of Israel and its oilfields to refineries and ports would considerably reduce costs, and controlling interests are likely soon to become the object of international competition. For the time being, the exploration is still in an experimental stage, and drillings on a commercial basis would require the investment of at least 10m. of scarce dollars, possibly without return.

The importance of these prospects for the economy of Israel can hardly be overestimated. It is known that the Prime Minister has recently given special attention to the matter and that in particular he has been in touch with Jewish financial and oil interests. There is now some prospects that these might be willing to share the risks of this new venture, and yet would neither dictate terms nor control output as the great international oil companies have been able to do in other parts of the Middle East up to now. It is safe to predict that the next few months will see a significant advance in this field.

FROM time to time the top crust of our civilized veneer is blown off by vital eruptions of our primitive consciousness, and out streams the host of trolls, hags, monsters, nickers, demons, bugs and genii, to astonish and terrify society. One would think, considering the alarming recurrence of supernatural events—flying saucers, falling blocks of ice, etc.—that the very last thing a sober government would do would be to annul an old anti-witchcraft law in the name of religious freedom. In Italy, evil spirits have been blamed for the gambling success of a poor verger of Bari. The matter went as far as a full-scale inquiry into the reasons why the man won so consistently in the State lottery; as a result of which, his disgruntled fellow-parishioners had to be content with the verdict that it was not Old Nick who had been helping the verger, but Saint Nicholas, who obviously sympathized with his efforts to maintain a large family on his slender stipend.

STRONG BACKING

PUBLIC OPINION SWINGS AGAINST ACHESON

U.S. Sees Opportunity in Iran

This is the seventh of a series of reciprocal articles arranged by the editorial staff of the "Denver Post" in the U.S. A world-wide selection of newspapers have been invited to exchange articles concerned with the problems of their particular countries.

By Edward P. Hoyt, Editor Denver Post

DENVER. — IN Denver, Secretary of State Acheson comes in for a terrible pounding, as he does elsewhere. Americans cannot forget that he said he would not "turn his back" on Alger Hiss, a convicted traitor. Neither Mr. Acheson nor Mr. Truman hold the confidence of the people. Consequently, there is, as usual, a great hue and cry for the resignation of the Secretary of State.

In the past, the "Denver Post" has supported Mr. Acheson, whom the editors believe to be an excellent Secretary of State. In America, though, it is equally important for such a high official to persuade people that he is following the right policies. That Mr. Acheson has been unable to do.

Perhaps many persons abroad believe it is typical that a Secretary of State should be under constant sniping criticism from such irresponsibles as Senator Joseph McCarthy. Not at all. Mr. Acheson is subject to more vilification and abuse than any Secretary of State in recent times. This again can be reflected in the national dissatisfaction with the Korean war particularly, and in the failure of our foreign policies to attain immediate success in general.

Public Opinion

Yet the important thing is that Secretary Acheson does not hold public confidence, and since he does not, it would be best for the entire nation if he were to resign. Aside from the great debate, another matter of considerable importance is troubling Americans these days. The position of the western world in Iran becomes more precarious each day, as Great Britain continues to bluster and blunder in a situation where she would do better to bow and be brave.

The Iranians are determined to take over the Anglo-Iranian oil company. They are spurred by extreme nationalism, that may even be regarded as fanatical. Yet as a colonial country just awakening in the middle of the 20th century, Iran's nationalism is understandable. It is the dawn of a new era in Iran. We Americans should be able to sympathize with Iran. It is not so long ago that we threw off a colonial yoke ourselves. It is not so long ago that we were "fanatically nationalistic" — which means that we were determined to run our own affairs no matter how badly we did it.

Sympathy with Iran

Besides our emotional area of sympathy with Iran, the United States has another area. We have little immediate economic value at stake and so we should be able to take a long view.

The long view indicates that the western world had better make its peace—and fast — with the surging nationalism of the Iranians. Even among the nationalists there are level heads who understand the difficulties of industry. The level heads will prevail, we are certain, if Great Britain will sacrifice much so as not to lose all. In Denver, however, we do not believe Great Britain is going to sacrifice much so as not to lose all. We believe she is bound to take an extremely short-sighted view. Her balance of trade is at stake for one thing. Her pride is again wounded for another.

What can the western world do? The United States can do something if it will. We can offer to supply technicians to Iran to work the oil fields. We can offer to help in her new effort.

From London come growls that such action will cause a new wave of anti-Americanism to sweep England. We are not unused to waves of anti-Americanism now. This newspaper is inclined to believe that it is less important to suffer calumny from our friends than to suffer body blows from our enemies; for just as sure as Britain keeps on begging the question and manoeuvring to maintain control of Iran's oil, a vacuum will be created. If some friend does not step into it, then Soviet Russia will—and there goes one-third of the Middle East oil production—enough to supply a good amount of fuel for a great number of Russian tanks and planes for a long time.

Voting in Denver

Denver has just seen the end of a municipal election. Mayor Quigg Newton was returned for a second four-year term in office in a non-partisan election.

Denver voters were called upon to legislate by changing the city's charter—which is its constitution—and by voting upon several ordinances. They voted to change our election laws to conform with the voting machine age. They voted to separate the departments of health and welfare in our growing city government. They voted to raise the mayor's pay from $6,000 to $14,000 a year — a raise that has been due for 20 years. They voted to raise other salaries commensurately. They voted against placing of public utility regulation under the city council. They voted against establishment of a personnel department for the city, because the personnel department did not offer adequate protection. They voted to raise the pay of firemen and policemen, whose base pay is now about $3,300 per year for beginners.

They voted against allowing indigent persons to choose whether or not they should have chiropractic or medical treatment in our hospitals. They voted against imposing of day light saving time for Denver, which would have set our clocks back one hour during the summer months.

VICE-PRESIDENT GREETS P. M.

At a surprise meeting at Chicago Airport last week, Vice-President Alben W. Barkley greeted the Prime Minister as the latter arrived in Chicago to address the United Jewish Appeal's National Action Conference. The Conference later heard Mr. Barkley urge Americans of all faiths to support the new State of Israel through aid to the United Jewish Appeal. U.J.A. Photo

New Families For Arab Kibbutz

By Gideon Weigert

EL Ahu'ah, Israel's first Arab kibbutz, established near Lydda two years ago, is at present undergoing the birthpangs that every kibbutz has experienced.

In addition to these usual obstacles — periods of long unemployment, insufficient financial and moral support, the 35 members of El Ahu'ah had some special difficulties to face.

Except for one man, the members were all bachelors, and they have not been able to afford the large sums of money necessary for Arab marriage. The members were all young, all had had agricultural experience and were familiar with Jewish collective life, but they did not find the adjustment easy.

El Ahu'ah was unable to solve its social problem of marriage and, faced with prolonged periods of unemployment, a meagre income from its land and lack of moral support, especially from the Histadrut's Arab Workers' League, many members left the kibbutz. The strongest stayed to be joined by a new group and start afresh. Membership dropped to 17 at the end of last year, and then to seven. When it looked as if the first experiment in collective life among Israel's Arabs had failed, part of Migdal's Arab population left their former homes for Ramle, and ten Migdal families joined El Ahu'ah. More followed, until the number of members again reached 40, in addition to 20 children. Now most of the members of the kibbutz are married, and the few bachelors remaining hope to marry the older daughters of the new members. But perhaps most important was the economic equipment and knowledge that the Migdal members brought with them.

Craftsmen

Migdal had long been known as one of the most advanced Arab centres, with flourishing cooperatives of weavers and farmers. Some of the new El Ahu'ah members were experienced craftsmen who brought with them a dozen of their handlooms, while additional looms are expected. Ten of the women worked half days at the looms or in the fields, and returned home at noon to do the shopping and housework.

There are prospects for additional funds in the form of a share in the Migdal cooperative's funds which totalled several hundred thousand pounds, paid up in IL.10 shares by members and supplemented by the Histadrut's Farmers and Workers fund. It is now up to this fund to settle these accounts and give El Ahu'ah its share. At the moment, the kibbutz members are all engaged in weaving or cultivating their own small vegetable garden, their 100 dunams of cereals, and driving their hard-won tractor. A promise has been given to settle El Ahu'ah on a permanent site of 1,000 dunams near Ramle, and it looks as though the kibbutz has taken a new lease of life.

Readers' Letters

IRAQI JEWS' PLIGHT

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — With reference to the news item published last week in your paper and the Hebrew press regarding the plight of Iraqi Jews, I should like to bring to the attention of your readers and the authorities concerned the serious position in which some 40,000 Jews in Iraq find themselves today. I left Iraq a little over two weeks ago and speak as one who suffered from the law freezing Jewish assets in Iraq for over two months.

Law No. 5 of 1951 froze all rights to assets of any kind — including salaries and wages — belonging to Iraqi Jews who renounced their nationality. The Iraqi authorities applied this provision with the utmost vigour and the police arrested Jews for selling a piece of furniture, a pair of used trousers, or even for merely carrying something in the street.

What these authorities completely overlooked, however, was the provision in the above law authorising the Custodian General to provide for the living expenses and transport fares of those covered by the law. Not a penny was disbursed by the Custodian for this purpose and the result is widespread penury among all classes of those Jews which threatens them with starvation.

Surely the Government of Israel cannot be excused for failing to grasp the seriousness of the situation and to take up this case with the proper U.N. authorities in order to put an end to such inhuman treatment of unfortunate Jews who did nothing more than signify a desire to emigrate to Israel. This is an urgent matter that calls for immediate, though belated, intervention of the State.

Yours, etc.,
I.B.

Ramat Gan, May 28.

LACK OF FAITH

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—E. N. Koussa in his letter published on May 27, shows a lack of understanding of true democracy.

Jordan's parliament like others in Arab states is not democratic in the real sense of the word. The opposition in Abdullah's parliament although on the surface interferes with Abdullah's inclination to conclude peace with Israel, in actual fact means to me an expression of the inner desire of the Palestinian Arabs to be rejoined with the rest of Palestine, now Israel.

Mr. Koussa's letter also indicates a lack of faith in the United Nations' reliance on true democracy as the only weapon for international peace.

Further, Mr. Ben Gurion's statement to which Mr. Koussa referred did not exclude the possibility of peace with the present autocratic regimes of the Arab states.

Yours, etc.,
DAVID KHOURY

Acre, May 27.

OUR DEMOCRACY

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Regarding Mr. Koussa's letter "Suggestions for Peace," does he by any chance mean that we should become a feudal state in order to please our feudal Arab neighbours, or does he mean that we should give up our policy of mass immigration for persecuted Jews, in short, give up Zionism just to become friendly with the Arabs?

Does Mr. Koussa realize what his letter in itself proves to me and perhaps to many others—that Israel is a democracy not only in word but in fact. You, as your name suggests, being of kinship with our unfriendly neighbours, defend their point of view in one of our papers. Can you imagine me writing a similar letter to the "El Urdun" without getting into serious trouble?

Yours, etc.,
ALFRED LESCHINSKI

Haifa, May 27.

COFFEE GROWING

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Allow me to protest against the misleading article called "Coffee for All," published in your paper of May 25.

1. Nowhere in the world is coffee produced commercially outside the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. In Costa Rica as well as in most other tropical countries most plantations are indeed found in the highlands but these are tropical highlands with a climate absolutely different from that of any part of Israel.

2. Coffee is grown everywhere in the world in regions which are more and not less tropical than those suitable for citrus.

3. The Nelspruit District of the Transvaal grows all kinds of subtropical fruits. The Research Station at Nelspruit is well known to me. I have visited it and some of its research workers have been here and are in constant and close contact with us. They would not dream of growing coffee at Nelspruit and it seems strange that they should have encouraged Shlomo in his tria's. They may have helped him to get seeds the same as we would do for somebody from a foreign country, without any way giving judgment on the soundness of the proposed trial.

4. Even if somebody might think it worth while to try to introduce the cultivation of coffee into Israel, he would obviously choose almost any location in preference to the Judean Hills, where not even oranges can be grown.

5. Plant Breeding is very important and can and should be used to create varieties which would be better adapted to local conditions. Many important jobs wait to be done in Israel, but it is very difficult to get the means to do research in the most promising lines. Wild speculations can do only harm. Shlomo could put into practice the knowledge of agriculture which he picked up on his father's farm in the Transvaal" in a way which would be suited to the country as a whole and to the special climate, soil and irrigation facilities of his kibbutz. The first thing would be for him to learn that the Judean Hills are very different not only from the world's coffee growing regions but even from the Transvaal Lowveld.

Yours, etc.,
Dr. CHANAN OPPENHEIMER
Agricultural Research Station, Rehovot

May 25.

TYRE ALLOCATIONS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—In the advice on the use of tyres published by the Controller of Road Transport in your issue of today, point No. 16 reads: "Change the position of your tyres, including spare tyre, every 5,000 kms." If I am to follow this advice implicitly, then my five tyres will wear out at one and the same time. Thus, the Controller must be prepared to issue five tyres in one lot.

Yours, etc.,
DRIVER

Jerusalem, May 28.

MUSICAL DIARY

OWING to the film shown at the Edison on Thursday before the I.P.O.'s Subscription Concert No. 7, conducted by Paul Paray, the audience waited its usual quarter of an hour outside after the scheduled beginning at 9 o'clock. Then 1,600 people had to pass through the narrow door, and the concert finally began with some 70 ticket-holders still outside, including this critic. They missed the opening Bach suite, and there was a minor riot in the entrance hall.

Beethoven's Piano Concerto in G Major was interpreted by the celebrated soloist Claudio Arrau with something approaching perfection, controlled—not to say restrained—in emotion, classical in conception, with an unsurpassed precision and a bell-like piano. The audience was spellbound.

Debussy's "La Mer" was interpreted by Mr. Paray with loving rapture, a feast of light, colour and intoxicating happiness, whilst Chabrier's "Bourrée fantasque" (in Motti's orchestration) affected rather the high spirits of a Paris music hall.

Impromptus

Arieh Abileah's piano recital, broadcast by Kol Israel on Wednesday, was a rare event. The programme was characterized by the fine sense of style of this musician. In his reading of the Impromptus by Schubert, Chopin and Fauré (two by each composer) we heard superb phrasing, feeling and touch, in addition to a technique, reminiscent of the great masters of the keyboard. Professor Abileah, who has the modesty of the real artist, still owes us a Chopin recital, which was postponed in 1949 Chopin year.

FRANGO

Rare Haydn Work

The broadcast of the concert by the Kol Israel Orchestra on Tuesday night featured a rarely played work by Haydn: the concerto for oboe and orchestra in C major. Mozart may have been familiar with this work, as the most important theme is his own oboe quartet seems to be inspired by it.

The concerto as a whole represents typical classical entertainment without revealing any particular refinements. Moshe Rubinstein gave a satisfying reading of the solo part, although the quality of his tone was not always sufficiently flexible.

The orchestra, under the baton of Hanan Schlesinger, offered an excellent performance of Vivaldi's Concerto Grosso in D minor, while Mozart's E flat major symphony received a less important rendition. The trio in the minuet sounded rather wooden.

Mozart Competition

After many auditions, 13 candidates for the first Israel Mozart Competition, arranged by the Israel Mozarteum, were selected to appear before the jury at the two final auditions on Sunday and Monday afternoon at the Mozarteum Studio. The jury includes representatives of the Musical Department of the Ministry of Culture and Education, and of the Radio, and the pianist Claudio Arrau.

The competition is under the patronage of the Netherlands Chargé d'Affaires, Jhr. M. P. M. van Karnebeek, and the first prize is a trip to attend the Netherlands Music Festival.

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Abroad

"Musical America" printed at the head of its section on orchestra concerts the following review: "Had it not been for Menahem Pressler's meritorious performance in the Chopin concerto, this Saturday evening concert by the New York Philharmonic-Symphony, under the direction of Dimitri Mitropoulos, could have been reported as a routine news item. Young Mr Pressler, however, brought to the programme a level of technical efficiency not otherwise demonstrated during the evening; moreover, he played with a high degree of sensitivity, plasticity, and style. His phrasings, particularly in the second movement, were elegantly delineated, and his sonorities were subtly shaded." Pressler's picture was published on the same page opposite that of Claudio Arrau.

The section on recitals is headed by an equally excellent review of the blind violinist, Ruben Varga, who gave a performance at the Town Hall with Artur Balsam at the piano.

In the same copy, the eminent musicologist and critic, Max Graf, writes on the Viennese State Opera's premiere of Menotti's "The Consul": "Hilde Zadek triumphed as Magda Sorel. The beauty of her voluminous, lustrous voice, reminiscent of the young Lotte Lehmann, conveyed honesty of feeling and intensity of dramatic expression to the audience, which overwhelmed the young artist with applause." Hilde Zadek will participate at the Festival of Britain at Covent Garden and Glyndebourne.

Harvard Professor Copland

Aaron Copland has been appointed Charles Eliot Norton Professor of Poetry at Harvard University for the 1951-52 academic year. His predecessors have included two other composers, Paul Hindemith and Igor Stravinsky.

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